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Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario

L.U. Radio Finances On Hold

by Donna Mayer

Laurentian Radio, CFLR, will be facing a set back in their expansion and development should the Students' General Association decide to refuse the station's request for a fee referendum at next week's council meeting.

According to station manager, Chris Dodd, "It's pretty well decided."

After three presentations to council and three deferrals Dodd says he does not think council will say that there is enough time left to put the question to students before the end of this year. He fears that the council will put the whole issue off until next year.

"If that happens we're back at square one again," he said.

CFLR's proposal calls for a one time student levy of eight dollars to finance the \$20,000 start up cost of installing a Cable FM system for the radio station. Further, the station would like to secure a four dollar levy from SGA members in subsequent years.

The proposed Cable FM system would increase CFLR's listening audience, enabling them to reach off-campus students and residence students through their home stereos. Presently CFLR is broadcasting through a closed circuit network to loud speakers located in a

few select areas across the campus.

The day before the SGA council meeting that saw the station's proposal deferred until next week Dodd made the same presentation to the SGA Board of Directors.

"The Board supported it unanimously," Dodd said.

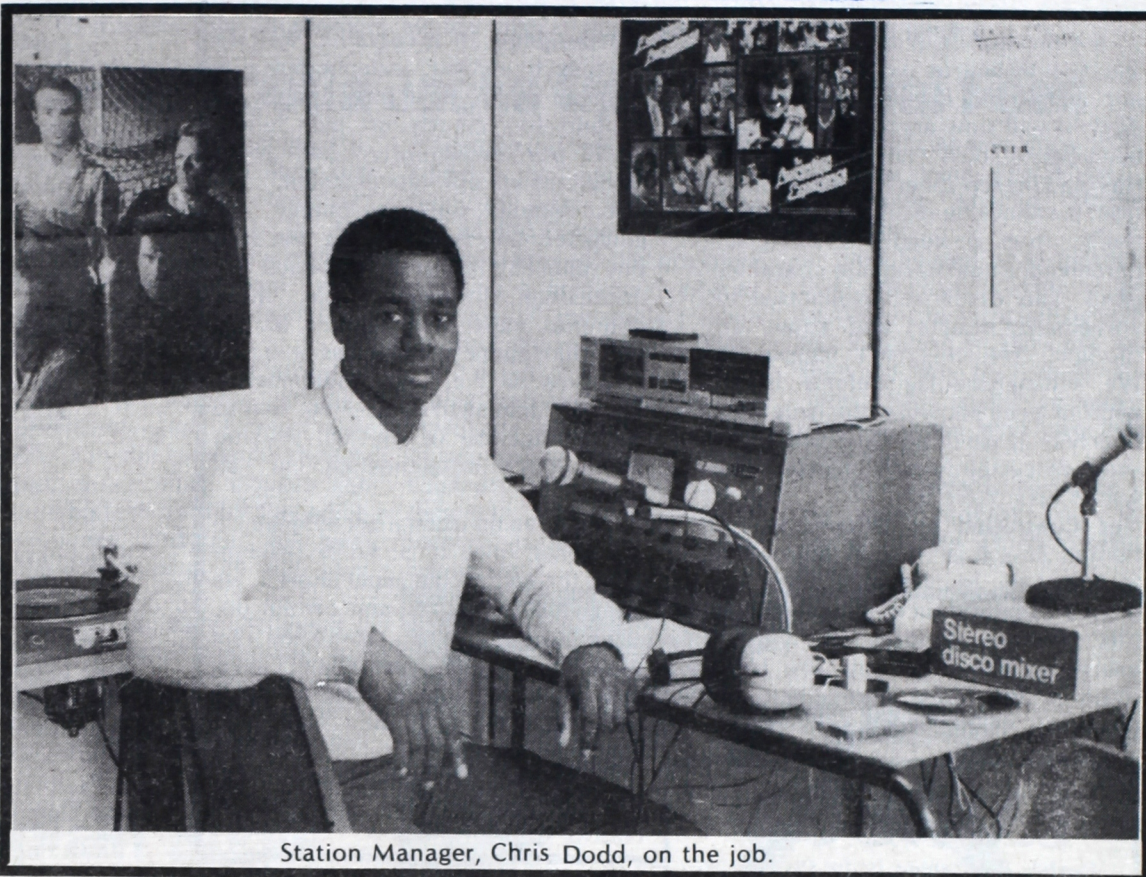
Council, however, wanted to know more about other alternatives to the Cable FM proposal. Specifically they wanted more information on the Carrier Current method which uses electrical wiring. According to Dodd, expenses in the Carrier Current system that would be incurred beyond the Cable FM expenses would include a transmitter, electrical engineer fees and audio processing equipment.

"I can tell them right now it's a joke. It would cost too much," he said, adding that the carrier current would cost an additional \$10,000.

Dodd is not happy with the lack of political support the station has received in their attempt at having a fee referendum called. "It's almost like they are purposely making it a non issue," he said.

"When an issue is important enough to be put directly to the students that's what should be done."

Council will decide on the motion to call the referendum at next Tuesday's council meeting.



Station Manager, Chris Dodd, on the job.

Cheating Universities and Colleges Out of Money

TORONTO(CUP)—The Ontario government will increase education funding by five per cent next year but critics say it is cheating Ontario's 15 universities and 22 community colleges out of money passed on by the federal government.

"The Conservative federal government has seen the necessity of restoring support to the university sector, only to find their provincial counterparts are committed to cheating universities of their fair, and desperately needed share," says Sean Conway, Liberal party colleges and universities critic.

The federal government has said it will increase education transfer payments to the provinces by 7.4 per cent this year. Conway says the Ontario government should have at least matched the increase to help the province's cash-starved institutions.

Newly appointed education minister Keith Norton announced March 7 that Ontario's universities, the Ryerson Polytechnical Institute and the Ontario College of Art will receive \$1.24 billion in operating grants for the next fiscal year. The colleges will receive \$463.6 million, a 5.2 per cent increase over last year.

The minister also announced that tuition fees would go up by 5 per cent.

"It is extremely frustrating to find that the new minister of education is continuing his predecessors' policy of unreasonable and overzealous financial restraint practiced on our school system," says another Liberal critic, Jim Bradley.

Richard Balnis, a researcher for the Ontario Federation of Students, says OFS was not pleased with the funding announcement because it did not match the

TORONTO(CUP)—Ontario's students leaders are organizing a province-wide protest March 21 against massive tuition fee increases and enrolment restrictions proposed by the province's Bovey Commission.

The focus of the provincial day of protest is a rally at Queen's Park, the legislature grounds. The Ontario Federation of Students, which represents 200,000 students, says students should band together to fight the proposed 50 per cent tuition hike and six per cent enrolment drop.

"The recommendations of the Bovey commission are devastating for students," says OFS chair Monika Turner.

"The whole community must make its views known now, before the government acts on the recommendations."

The three-member commission, which took a year and \$650,000 to produce its 64-page report, recommended the fee increase and accessibility decrease as a means of improving quality in Ontario's education system.

federal increase. He says, however, the federation is not alarmed about the tuition fee increase, which it thought would have been much greater.

Balnis says the government may increase tuition fees to the amount recommended by the Bovey commission report—about 50 per cent over the next few years—after a provincial election expected to be held during

tem.

If the government acts on the commission's recommendations, Turner says about 6,400 students might not be able to find a place in university and hundreds of others will be strapped for funds.

OFS representatives have visited campuses around the province since mid-February, speaking at information sessions with student councils and community forums.

"The build to March 21 is important. To sit down and inform students and the community about the implications of the Bovey report is an important part of our campaign strategy."

OFS is also encouraging students to mail postcards to the newly appointed education minister Keith Norton. OFS representatives will meet with Norton March 20, when they hope he will respond to its concerns about the Bovey recommendations.

Turner plans to bring to the meeting a copy of results from a recent Gallup poll, which found that 83 per cent of those who responded want

the current level of accessibility in universities to be maintained. Eighty-five per cent said they want post-secondary funding to stay the same or increase.

"Public support for universities is at a very large high."

The OFS campaign concentrates on the following demands:

- *freeze in tuition fees at current levels;
- *no cuts in enrolment;
- *a boost in funding for post-secondary education;
- *an improvement in student aid by increasing number of grants;
- *jobs for all.

All Ontario institutions have committed themselves to the demonstration except the University of Waterloo, which will not send a delegation.

The protest begins with a march from Ryerson to a 12:30 p.m. rendezvous at the legislature.

A bus load of Laurentian students will be attending the protest following the co-ordinating efforts of the Students' General Association.

the summer or early fall.

According to the Council of Ontario Universities, a mediating body between the universities and the government, operating grants to Ontario universities have been cut back over the last several years and are "inadequate to cover enrolment growth due to high demand student as well as facility and equipment replacement, and pressing research needs."

Ontario's university and student leaders are still waiting for the government's reaction to the Bovey commission report which called for, in addition to the 50 per cent tuition increase, a six per cent decrease in enrolment. The commission was chaired by entrepreneur Edmund Bovey and set up to investigate the future of the province's education system.

OPINION

Freedom and Liberty Not Canadian Rights

By David A. Baker

The fact that basic human rights in so many countries throughout the world are virtually non-existent raises questions about our own freedom. I wonder how free we really are?

A definition is in order: Webster's says that to be free is "having liberty; not controlled by others; independent." I will now argue that we have been deceived. We are not free at all.

Having Liberty: Liberty is an abstraction. It cannot be described quantitatively, thus it needs to be given perceived, understandable characteristics. This demands intellectual involvement, debate, and above all, thought. Yet, this isn't happening. We self-righteously defend liberty without even knowing precisely what liberty is. If we don't know what it is, then we certainly cannot prove that we, in fact, have it.

Not Controlled by Others: In our human Zoo, it is virtually impossible to maintain individuality with any degree of confidence. Perspicacity is lost. Society imposes its will on everyone, like it or not. The latest trend is the latest norm, and any deviation from these trends (which

include moral bandwagon—jumping) is unacceptable. Our thoughts, our actions, our values are seldom self-created. It is so much easier, then, **not** to think and let society do that for us.

Independent: In a socialist, welfare state such as ours, independence is frowned upon. We have come to depend too greatly on our fellow man, our community, and most importantly, our government. We also depend on our church for guidance. This is interesting, because the church's survival depends on oppressive doctrines. That these churches exist is testament to the fact that some people desire being **told** how to live. Since independent thought leads to objective reason (thus, rejection of myths), religion denounces independence in all forms.

We have no liberty because we do not know what it is. From Government through to the local church, we are told what we can and cannot do; our thoughts are controlled by inevitable social interaction; independence is avoided because it is considered anti-social, which is "bad".

Indeed, we are all social prisoners, but only because we unthinkingly choose to be.

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I would like to thank all the writers who have worked for us this week. Congratulations must go out to all those who have been elected to positions on next year's staff. We still would like anyone interested to come out and give us a visit. You have no excuse now that the buses are running. Thank you.

Oh yes, our best wishes go out to Judy and Steve and their new arrival. Oh hope she is the special joy in your lives.

Thorneloe Thunder

Well here it is far into the night after the banquet and all the Thornelovians are settled into their nests, except for me, the ever vigilant and insomniac bird. Thorneloe has just been chock full of happenings in the past few weeks. Elections have left us a promising council for next year. Congratulations go to Hugh McClelland, President; Dave Filion, vice-president; Debra Gardner, secretary; Brent Irwin, male sports rep; and Joan Locke, female sports rep. Position of treasurer still goes on undecided best of luck to candidates Briget Brawley, Mike McDonald, and Roberta Zorzi.

Hey everyone, remember

the St. Patrick's Day Dance? What a party! Many thanks to Rob and Barb for a memorable one of a kind Thorneloe blast. A few dauntless partyers returned late in the night, keep the spirit up guys, you're the last of a dying breed. One Question—just who were those guys Pam? No one will say and Ricky doesn't remember.

Shower anyone? We must remember to ask Dr. J. how he likes the new landscaping out front. I think the style is vaguely reminiscent of Picasso with avant-garde overtones. First good rain we get we should go out and remould the lawn.

'til next week.
The Byrd

Stokers' Box

Top 'o the Morning Stokers.

Ramms would like to start off by congratulating this year's College and Residence Councils for their hard work and wish the newly elected councils a great term in office.

Let's get down to the nitty-gritty-starting with Pre-Banquet Bash. Ramms wishes to congratulate Bucky, Richard P., Richard D., R.J.* Domo and Guy for winning the Golden Bucket Award, Elise and Phil O. for the Swap Spit Award and Fred for the Ya ba da ba doo Award. By the way, was it Colleen & Chuck or was it Memorex (got you Col!)

And now for the main event...the Dan Piche Awards Ceremony—seriously though, sincere congratulations to the very deserving

people who won the coveted awards, namely Arlene, Michele, Paul G., Lianne, John, Marc D., Matthew and Dawn. Ramms was also happy to see all the Stokers looking their very best—nice striped underwear Domo, original outfit Phil P., convenient dress Nina (right Al?), beautiful sign Lewis, good show on the dance floor Juice (you know what they say—you're not getting older, you're getting better!!!) and last but not least, wonderful strip tease Pat. All in all, the evening seemed to be of great success for everyone despite the weather.

Ramms would like to congratulate Bill & Donna on their recent engagement. Best wishes to both of you!

See you next week.
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Huntington Hilites

Congratulations to the Huntington Hawks for their successful round trip to Ohio. The Shadow would also like to congratulate the new council members, who are: Beaker, Super Dave, Cheryl, Kelly, Sandy, Steve I., Jelly Bean, Andrea, Gunner, and Dan. (I hope I didn't miss any.)

Congrats also to the winners of the curling bonspiel. It was good to see all the members of this year's executive enjoying their dinner and pub crawl. They were all in fine form for the St. Patty's Dance which was underway when they returned. Was the luck of the Irish with you? Guess not eh Biff?

That now brings us to my weekly soap. The Shadow would like to name this week's soap "As the World of Duff Turns". Duff Duff Duff, where do we begin? Doug N.—are you trading in hockey for basketball? Is Sharon teaching you how to dribble?

Questions of the week. Moose, what does the inside of an ambulance look like? Did the nurses take good care of you? Better luck next time.

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Challenge '85 A Challenge to Student Job-seekers

MONTREAL(CUP)— They hired 30 people in a week. They designed a cheap little one-page pamphlet, photocopied huge stacks of it, and distributed it to 95,000 businesses in the Montreal area, Laval and the South Shore. Then they patched together a quick string of phone extension, hired three people to channel calls through the make-shift switchboard and got to work.

"They" are government of Canada employees, and this is the new Tory way of doing things.

These federal employees have three weeks to find companies and institutions to hire 12,000 students in the Montreal area, under the Canadian government's Challenge/Defi '85 job creation program.

Under the program Ottawa will pay 50 per cent—up to a total \$3 an hour—of a student's salary when they are hired by a company for the summer.

A non-profit corporation will receive funds to cover 11 per cent of a student's salary, but "priority will be given to career-related jobs (their

emphasis) for students."

The federal program for student jobs was announced much later this year than last because the Tories "spent a lot of time studying the problem before they announced their program," said Richard Desrosiers, one of the supervisors of the Montreal Challenge '85 operation.

The forms, which every employer has to fill out only arrived last week. Last year the employers had more than twice the time to submit applications.

But Desrosiers says there will be no problem because the bureaucrats will be working "nights, week-ends," whatever it takes to make sure all the applications are in by Friday, March 22.

They will have to. Desrosiers says the analysis time for each summer job application will be much shorter than last year. But promotional material promises priority for career-related jobs, and also guarantees the government will not fund a job which replaces a worker already laid off.

When first asked about streamlining and speeding up

the analysis, Desrosiers said there will be "no consultation with local manpower." Later, when asked about verifying if students will take away jobs from full-time laid off employees, he said: "We will go through the local manpower office to check this does not happen."

Desrosiers said Challenge

'85 has "sent representatives to each of the universities, working with the manpower services and student unions to make sure the program is a success."

But Francois Desrosiers (no relation), Concordia University students' association vice-president external, who would have met with the

representatives, said no one came to Concordia.

"The government should have come around and explained the program," Desrosiers said. But they didn't. "All I know is what I get from reading newspapers."

Marine Gagnon, McGill University student vice-president, who would have met with the

con't on page 8

Nova Scotia Jacks Up Differential Fees

HALIFAX(CUP)— Foreign students may have to drop out of Nova Scotia universities next year because of the latest provincial government hike in differential fees, according to a student politician.

Alex Gigeroff, Dalhousie university student council president, says foreign students in the province already pay more than double the tuition fees paid by Canadian students and cannot bear the strain of a 29 per cent increase.

"This increase will make it more difficult for these students to attend Nova Scotian universities," says Gigeroff.

Foreign students will pay

a differential fee of \$1,700, in addition to regular tuition fees next year, which are in the \$1,400 range.

Gigeroff said the province ignored a provincial education board recommendation to limit the increase to \$60.

"I don't think the provincial government realizes the harm the increase will cause international students," says Gigeroff. "There is already a decrease in the number of foreign students from poorer countries."

The move also drew sharp criticism from Tim Shaw, a Dalhousie African studies professor.

Said Shaw: "It is hypocritical for the provincial government to sympathise with the situation in Ethiopia and then do this to foreign students. This is discrimination against those who can least afford it."

"Are universities going to be self-financing on the backs of the Third World?" asks Shaw.

Council Threatens the Champlain Bugle

STE.-LAMBERT, QUE.(CUP)— The Champlain Bugle, an incorporated newspaper at Champlain College, is fighting an attempt by the schools student council to roll back that autonomy.

In January the council took over control of the Bugle bank account, which the Bugle had controlled

separately for the past five years. The newspaper fears that a council unhappy with the paper's content might withhold money, perverting publication.

This is what happened five years ago, and the reason the Bugle incorporated.

The Bugle has appealed

the seizure of its bank account, and agreed to a board of appeal, including two Bugle editors, and two council members.

The Bugle has collected 318 signatures on a petition calling for a referendum on who should control the Bugle well over the 10 per cent needed for a referendum.



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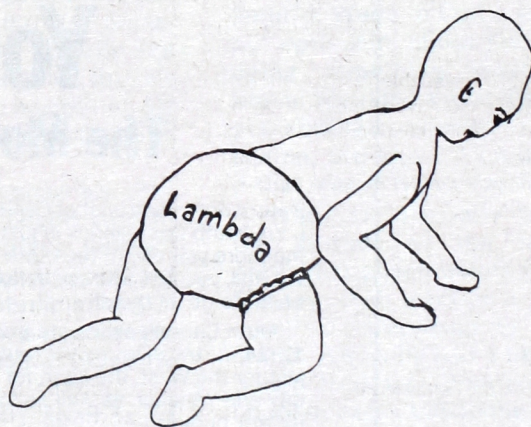
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in the autonomy
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Nous regrettons tout inconvénient que cette affaire pourra occasionner.

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Blind Injustice in a New Jersey Court

by David Olie
reprinted from the Dalhousie Gazette
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Bruce Curtis sits in a New Jersey jail counting down a twenty year sentence for a crime he says was an accident.

Everyone says Bruce is a hell of a nice guy. He's a bit quiet, perhaps, but bright, well-spoken, friendly and a damn fine writer. He's tall, dark haired and clean shaven, and wears plastic rimmed glasses. Just an ordinary person, much like anyone else.

Bruce was admitted to Dalhousie University's science programme in 1982, after graduating from the exclusive King's-Edgehill prep school in nearby Windsor, Nova Scotia. But he never got there. Instead, he was plunged into a tragedy in July of that year, a tragedy from which he has yet to emerge.

Bruce Curtis grew up on his parent's 300 hectare farm on Mt Hanley, in Nova Scotia's luscious Annapolis Valley. His father, Jim Curtis, is an Armed Forces captain. Though academically gifted, Bruce was socially awkward; he preferred to spend his time studying nature in the woods around his home and writing in his journal. His friend, Scott Franz, would later call him a "deadbeat."

Seeing his potential, Bruce's parents managed to put together the money to send him to Kings Edgehill, one of the most prestigious private schools in the Maritimes. There Bruce befriended Scott Franz, a young man from Loch Arbour, New Jersey. Few could understand what brought them together, apart from interests in games and computers, because otherwise the two were very different.

The key to the difference lay in Franz's home. He had grown up there with his mother, Rosemary, ten older brothers and sisters, and his stepfather, Alfred Podgis. He was a letter carrier, a man completely out of control.

He was an avid collector of baseball cards, over \$20,000 worth. He also collected guns, at least a dozen. Podgis was known to the police and the community as an extremely violent man. Over the years local police logged 147 visits to the Podgis home to act on complaints. The ramshackle house was pockmarked with bullet holes from Alf Podgis shooting sprees. He had assaulted two of Scott's sisters with heavy objects, attacks which put each of them in hospital. But the worst was reserved for his wife, Rosemary. He broke her arms on two separate occasions, and once pushed her down a flight of stairs, breaking her back. All the children left this house of horrors as early as they could.

Rosemary Podgis didn't leave. But in an effort to spare her youngest son, Scott, from the constant abuse of his stepfather, Rosemary saved every cent she could from her clerical job to send him to King's Edgehill. He gained a reprieve, but nothing changed at the Podgis home.

It is June, 1982. Bruce Curtis has just graduated near the top of his Kings Edgehill class. His parents, like most parents, want to give him some sort of present. But they don't know what it will be.

For months now, Scott Franz

has been asking Bruce to visit him in New Jersey. Scott describes his home as an oceanfront mansion with servants and Great Danes. Bruce has never travelled alone before, and decides he wants to go. His parents have some misgivings, but finally buy him a one-way plane ticket; Scott says he has plans to drive back to the Maritimes in early July and will bring Bruce back with him.

Bruce's plane arrives in Newark, New Jersey on June 29, two hours late. Alf Podgis is waiting with his step-son, and is in a towering rage; the delay has caused him to miss a meeting with a fellow baseball card enthusiast. His rage will continue all week, and the two young men live in constant fear.

They seldom come home, except to sleep. They especially avoid the upstairs, which is Alf's domain. When they come back to the house on the rainy night of July 3, they find the doors locked, and shelter in the porch as they listen to Alf Podgis beat his wife. She lets them in after he goes to bed.

The next morning Scott ventures upstairs to get some money. His stepfather fires a gun at him.

Given this insane environment, why didn't Bruce Curtis simply leave? Apart from his understandable confusion and his lack of a return ticket, Bruce seems to have been motivated by a sincere desire to help his friend.

Bruce is like that. While home from school in the summer of 1981, Bruce met up with a young woman he knew from junior high school. She was deeply depressed, and hinted at committing suicide. He talked her out of it at the time, but he couldn't stop her months later when he was back in Windsor. The tragedy affected all of Middleton, but few so much as Bruce. He went into a depressed state, and wrote long, sombre passages in his journal.

In New Jersey he found another friend in trouble. He admits now that in staying he made "the greatest mistake of my life."

On the evening of July 4, Scott Franz is still shaken by the events of the morning. He decides he needs protection, so he buys a box of cartridges and loads two lever action carbines he finds in his stepfather's van, one for himself and one for Bruce. Bruce has never before handled firearms.

That night they slip into the house and sleep side-by-side on the living room sofa, the loaded and cocked guns between them. They plan to leave for the Maritimes the next day.

Around eight o'clock in the morning, while his mother is cooking breakfast, Scott heads upstairs, gun in hand, to take a shower. Bruce is still dozing on the sofa. He awakes to the sound of gunfire from upstairs; Scott Franz has just shot Alfred Podgis to death. Bruce panics, grabs the gun beside him, and runs for the back door. In the hallway he nearly collides with another running figure. It is Rosemary Podgis. The gun discharges and Mrs. Podgis falls to the floor with a wound running from the right side of her abdomen to her left hip. She dies minutes later. Bruce goes into hysterics.

Bruce Curtis has stuck by this story of the shooting since the day he was arrested. Scott Franz is another case. His original sworn statement was identical to Bruce's. Before he went to trial, however, Scott made a

deal with prosecutor Paur Chaiet: if he would plead guilty to murder, change his story and testify against Bruce, he would get a reduced sentence. At Bruce's trial, therefore, Scott testified that Bruce deliberately shot and killed Mrs. Podgis. Since then he has gone back to his original version. Of course, Scott did not actually witness the shooting of his mother.

Franz, who hears the shot and screams downstairs, goes down to the hallway, still carrying his gun, and finds his mother dead. He later says he considered killing Curtis on the spot, but thought better of it. Instead, he enlists Bruce's help in cleaning up the house and removing the bodies. "It's not right to leave my mother lying there like that," he says. Bruce, by now beyond reason, agrees.

The bodies are loaded into the van, and the pair set off for Scott's sister's home in Texas, dumping the bodies and the guns in Pennsylvania on the way.

They are arrested in Texas on July 11, and are charged with murder.

Under New Jersey law, flight from the scene of a crime is taken as evidence of a guilty mind. Psychiatrist Dr. Harry Brunt, who examined Curtis after his arrest, says the law is wrong. He says Curtis was displaying pure panic reaction, in which his only instinct was to get away from the scene and avoid the situation altogether, as if it had never happened. Anyone could react the same way, he says.

Even today, Bruce Curtis copes with his situation in this way. "It was happening to somebody else," he says. "It wasn't happening to me... My mind is set on a course now where, the day I get out, this will cease to be reality and it will become a dream."

The trial of Bruce Curtis is March 1983 is nearly as bizarre as the killings themselves. Defense lawyer Michael Schottland calls it "a legal lynching." New Jersey Superior Court Judge John Arnone, also known as "never come home again Arnone," is presiding; he has the reputation of being the toughest judge in the state. Because Scott Franz, the star prosecution witness, did not actually see his mother's death, much of Bruce's trial centre around the murder of Alf Podgis, a crime with which Bruce is not charged.

Prosecutor Chaiet knows his case is weak. He therefore begins to spin an elaborate web of intrigue, portraying Curtis as the evil mastermind behind a pair of "thrill killings." Curtis' quiet withdrawn personality is seen as a cover for a violent psychotic mind.

To cap this argument, Scott Franz is called to the stand. Chaiet wants him to "interpret" Curtis' journal, especially the passages from around the time of the suicide of his Middleton friend.

The court goes into a *voire dire* session, in which the jury is removed and the judge determines if evidents is admissible. Franz' "interpretations" are so outlandish that Arnone rules against the jury hearing them.

But the local press is still in the courtroom; in the U.S. this is legal during a *voire dire*. Franz' sensational "testimony" is reported, the jury is not sequestered and there can be no doubt that they read or heard about it. Schottland moves for a mistrial.

He is refused.

There are other unusual occurrences. The prosecution calls an expert witness to explain that the gun carried by Curtis is perfectly safe and could not discharge accidentally. While explaining this, the gun goes off in his hands. In fact, it has a hair trigger.

Finally, in his summation to the jury, Arnone fails to fully explain two options the jury has: to acquit Curtis if the killing was an accident, or to find him guilty of simple manslaughter.

Chaiet wants a conviction for murder. The jury finds Bruce Curtis guilty of aggravated manslaughter. An unplanned killing caused by recklessness and irresponsibility.

The maximum sentence for this crime is 20 years, with 10 years before parole. On April 22, 1983, Arnone gives this sentence to Curtis. It is the first time anyone has received this sentence for this crime. A week earlier, Arnone gave Scott Franz the same sentence for murder. It is 10 years less than the maximum term, and five years less than the minimum for parole.

To cap the case, Curtis is sent to Bordentown Youth Correction Centre, an old, run-down, overcrowded radical tinderbox, while Franz goes to Yardville, a modern reform institution.

On June 6, 1984, Michael Schottland presented an eight point appeal to the New Jersey Supreme Court to get his client's conviction overturned. His arguments were rejected in half an hour. He is now working to win a writ of habeas corpus, to at least get Curtis transferred to a better prison. An appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court is also a possibility.

Meanwhile the family, friends and supporters of Bruce Curtis continue to work on his behalf. Candlelight vigils were held for him across Canada on the eve of his 21st birthday. Books, letters and most importantly money, continue to pour into him and his defense fund. His parents have already spent more than \$60,000 on his defense.

Local English professor and writer Jennifer Wade, a Curtis supporter, is not optimistic about the chances of doing something meaningful for Bruce. Speaking about the possibility of his being transferred to a Canadian prison, she says, "it's a foggy Friday if that would be successful."

Wade is especially bitter about the attitude of the federal and provincial governments to the case. She says their inaction is part of "the mood of cosy-ing-up to the United States. We really had a better chance under Trudeau... (Premier) Buchanan could so easily talk to the governor of New Jersey."

External affairs minister Joe Clark recently said there is nothing more the Canadian government can do for Bruce Curtis.

Cast adrift by his government, if not by his friends, Curtis serves his time in Bordentown. Ironically, he is a valued member of the prison population. He teaches basic English skills to other inmates, 80 per cent of whom are illiterate. On his off hours he takes correspondence courses, at present art history and Latin. He also answers the volumes of mail he gets from relatives and well-wishers, and writes of his loneliness and despair in short stories.



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Words From the Not So Wise: Seven Year String Ended

by Randy Pascal

The dynasty has finally come to an end...sort of! After a seven year stranglehold on the men's nordic skiing championships, the Laurentian squad relinquished the title to a determined Queen's team at the OUAA championships held last month in Sudbury.

Despite stepping down as team champions, Laurentian managed to retain the individual title as Reino Keski-Salmi, a former national team member, finished more than four minutes ahead of his nearest competitor. This marks the seventh time in the past nine years that a member of the Laurentian team has captured the top indi-

vidual award.

The string of successes began back in 1977 when Dave Delange triumphed for the first of his three individual titles. Delange returned to lead the team to overall victories in 1978 and 1979.

Laurentian took no time at all finding a replacement to Delange as Perry Sakki lead an awesome group that was to place 20 skiers among the top ten finishers in the four ensuing years. While Sakke went on to register two individual championships, other key performers included Ron Mitchell, Marcel Boudreau, Ulf Kleppe, Richard Pettit and Tony Kayanagi.

As Sakki retired in 1983,

another product of the Laurentian system, Ken Rauhanen was ready to fill in, helping the team to its seventh consecutive title. Bruce Wainman, John Gallien and Kleppe also posted top ten finishers last year.

Unfortunately, as they say, all good things must come to an end! But behind them, the numerous names that blazed the cross-country trails for those who were to follow in their footsteps have left a legacy of results that

will be difficult to repeat. For a sport that all too often must relinquish the spotlight to "bigger name" sports, the time has come to stand up and take a bow for a job well done. Congratulations to all who were a part of it!

Cross-Country Night Rally

This event took place Thursday, March 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the athletic stadium. Twenty-two participants attended to form a total of six teams. They braved the frigid

elements completing the 0.5 km loop in record times. We hope that this event will proliferate over the next years. The final winning times are listed below.

		Time
1st Place	Wendy Davis Mike McInnis Andrew Irvine	9:59:09
2nd Place	Jennie Logan Reno Keski-Salmi Ulf Kleppe Bill Misener	10:09:52
3rd Place	Lara McLees Keith Pilkey Gisele Bonin	11:08:68
4th Place	Geoffrey Kendell Michele Andrews Dan Kemmerer Sarah Andrews	11:12:88

Women's Intramural Hockey

by Brian Errey

As the season progresses towards its completion, the hockey just seems to be getting more and more exciting.

On Sunday, March 10, L.U. Experience dumped the U.C. Outcasts 4-0, in a very intense game. As well, the S.S.R. Poisonettes edged Commerce 3-2, and Huntington remained winless, losing to the U.C. Playgirls 9-0.

On Monday, L.U. Experience won their second game of the week sneaking by the Mismatches 5-1. Also on that date one of the best games of the season was played with the Fallen Angels and Ulcerette Ugliers scrimmaging to a

1-1 draw.

Ending off the week's action Huntington won their first game of the season shutting out the Killer B's 5-0. Joanne Laurin played an inspiring game in net, while Sandy Stevenson and Merri Ranta each scored a pair of goals.

Also on that date the U.C. Playgirls handled the Banana Bunch 4-0. And, in a very exciting match, the U. of S. Strokettes clipped Commerce 3-2.

Hockey Notes: Congratulations to Huntington goalie Joanne Laurin who was the player of the week from Sunday, March 10 to Wednesday, March 13.

Thorneloe Players Present:

by Lorie Cunningham

The Thorneloe Players are busy rehearsing for their upcoming production "The Hand That Cradles the Rock".

This lighthearted comedy explores the changing roles of men and women in modern society.

Give yourself a break and relieve some of that pre-exam pressure—come out and enjoy a night of great entertainment sure to make you laugh.

The show runs March 21, 22, and 23 at Fraser Auditorium. Tickets are \$4 general admission and \$2 for seniors and students, and are available at Thorneloe College, the Laurentian Bookstore and at the door. Curtain time is 8:00 each night.

Norart Deadline

Entries for Norart, the seventh annual juried exhibition of Northern Ontario art, must be received at the Laurentian University Museum and Arts Centre on John Street by 12:00 noon, Saturday, March 23, 1985. Late entries cannot be accepted.

The jurying will take place March 25 and 26, 1985. Works not selected must be picked up between April 9-13, 1985.

Norart will be exhibited at the Centre June 5-30, 1985.

For more information, contact the Laurentian University Museum and Arts Centre at 6k75-1151, ext. 401.

Permanent Collection

A selection of historical and contemporary art works from the Permanent Collection will be on display at the Laurentian University Museum and Arts Centre from March 6-March 31, 1985.

Historical artists such as Thomas Mower Martin, Walter R. Duff and Frederick Bell-Smith, and contemporary artists such as Tony Urquhart, George Hawken and Dennis Geden are featured.

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Wednesday, March 27 and Thursday,
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Conference Room B

Film on Torture: "The Hooded Man"
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Red Cross Emergency Services Need Volunteers

The Sudbury Red Cross is in the process of developing its emergency services response teams, in conjunction with the City's Emergency Plan.

In the event of an emergency Red Cross Volunteers will be responsible for several areas, which include registration and inquiry, shelter, food and clothing.

In order to carry out our responsibilities we will need volunteers who are willing to perform related duties at the designated shelter sites and at the Red Cross headquarters.

These duties include staffing and operation of the registration and inquiry service, distribution of clothing and preparation and distribution of food.

We are looking for individuals who possess good inter-personal and communication skills, and are willing to be called on in an emergency situation. Registrars should also possess legible penmanship.

For further information please call Mary Ann Quinlan at 674-0737.

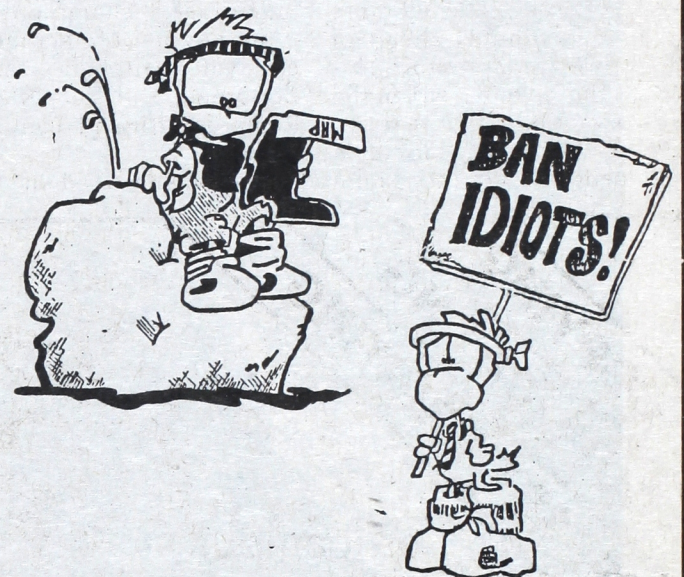
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CFLR Playlist

Artist	Album	Label
1) Tears for Fears	Songs from the Chair	Polygram
2) Belinda Metz	Electric Splash	Attic
3) Greg Kihn	Citizen Kihn	EMI
4) Pat Metheny	Falcom and the Snowman	EMI
5) Flock of Seagulls	Story of a Young Heart	Quality
6) Del-lords	Frontier Days	EMI
7) Various	Breakfast Club	A & M
8) Maze	Can't Stop the Love	EMI
9) Daniel Lavoie	Tension Attension	Diskade
10) Cano	Visible	Ready
11) Heaven 17	How Men Are	RCA
12) Bruce Springsteen	Born in the USA	CBS
13) Johnny Athens	Bovey Busters	APE
14) Corbeau	Illegal	Diskade
15) Jean Luc-Ponty	Aurora	WEA
16) Bay City Rollers	Greatest Hits	EMI
17) Petru	Beat the System	A & M
18) Psycedelic Furs	Mirror Moves	CBS
19) WHAM	Make it Big	CBS
20) Spoons	Listen to the City	Ready

Lambda Publications Society is holding their Annual General Meeting on April 3. All members of the SGA are members of Lambda Publications, so please come join us. Time and location will be advertised.

The SGA Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 27th. Time and place will be advertised.

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A Challenge to Student Job-seekers

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ident, said the federal representatives had not visited McGill either.

At Dawson College, a few Challenge '85 posters, looking like promotion for a bake sale, have been posted on

bulletin boards.

The head of Dawson's employment centre, who refused to give his name, said "it's a bit late admittedly—I hope they extend the deadline."

But he said he thinks many students will benefit

from the program. Two professors at Dawson, one in engineering and one in finance, have special deals and will be wrangling federal subsidies so students in their classes can get Challenge '85 jobs.

Students in other disci-

plines are less lucky. In most cases Challenge '85 officers are asking them to take the forms around to employers themselves, to get companies to sign up for the program.

On March 12, 300 applications had come in. The office

expects 5,000 by March 22. But Desrosiers, the supervisor, looks on the bright side.

"The fact that we've got a program to work with is much more advantageous than saying 'no, there's nothing for you this summer.'"

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